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Subject: FW: CLARIFICATION: NWF DOES NOT SUPPORT EPA's EXPEDITED FL STATE ASSUMPTION PROCESS

One possible direction:

Dear Subcommittee Members,

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

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Assumable Waters Subcommittee – I know our task is done, but I need to be crystal clear with all of you and particularly EPA and Corps staff and officials that NWF strongly opposes EPA's campaign to expedite 404 State Assumption in Florida and elsewhere.

I am very disturbed to learn that my very narrow support for the very limited recommendations we made with regard to assumable waters may now be being misrepresented as support of state assumption.

In fact, our limited findings were predicated upon a set of assumptions that included strong legal and policy safeguards that ensured that only legally strong, effective, well-resourced state programs would be approved, and would be approved through a transparent process subject to meaningful public input. We are strongly opposed to the process as it seems to be moving in Florida and will be opposed to any similar expedited process that may proceed in other states.

For what its worth,

Jan

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Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)